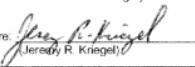


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 9, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

The **Remarks** section begins on page 11 of this Amendment.